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Delegates and Electoral Votes.

Now and then reports of activity in the south in the matter of delegates to the republican national convention are accompanied by details. For an instance, we are told that in Texas the factions are positively fierce, and that contesting delegations are certain to present themselves at the convention and demand a settlement by that body of their differences. There are Foraker men, and Fairbanks men, and Tamm men, all claiming to be regular, and all full of the wine of strife. It is a great to-do even at this early day.

And yet think for a moment of the actual situation. What is the real value of these votes in the republican national convention? Properly speaking, there is no republican party in Texas. It controls not a single county in the state. It does not count in the legislature. If here and there it elects a candidate for a small municipal office the result is due more to democratic divisions than to its own strength. As a matter of fact, it has no strength. The democratic majority in the state is from a quarter of a million upward. That party might split into half a dozen factions and each one run a candidate for governor, and yet the republicans could not win.

Why, then, should a party in such a helpless and hopeless condition at home take its votes to the national convention for settlement, and its so-called votes there to be counted in a close struggle in the choosing of a leader? What can Texas do for Foraker, or Fairbanks, or Tamm, or anybody else, once he is nominated? Absolutely nothing. He must look elsewhere for votes to elect him. Texas is certain to support the other man, no matter his name or the nature of the platform on which he stands. The party label will determine that.

This is no new situation. It has existed for years, and it promises to continue quite as much longer. It leads to a variety of questions. One is, should Texas, and other states like Texas, be shut out of the convention? Would a convention thus truncated be a national convention? And when these states are admitted, is there any limit to be placed on the participation of their delegates in the proceedings of the convention?

The solution is not in sight, and may not be found until some candidate is nominated by the power of these voteless representatives and proves a burden too heavy to be carried by the party in those states where votes are depended upon for success at the polls. A defeat so explained would be an eye-opener for the republican leaders.

Candy and Divorce.

A Philadelphia woman has just been granted a divorce on grounds that will cause the entire matrimonial world to sit up and take notice. Technically she charged her husband with desertion, but her specifications against him did not involve her actual abandonment by her spouse. She averred that since their marriage he has been acting toward her in a manner wholly different from that which marked his conduct while he was courting her. No more boxes of candy; no more flowers; no more invitations to dances. Life became a dreary desert of commonplaces, without the pleasures of entertainment which formerly broke the aridity of existence. Feeling neglected and forlorn, she decided to separate herself from so changeable a man, and the proceedings followed. And the court saw the case from her point of view and granted the decree.

If this principle is to be established the divorce courts will be kept busy. How many husbands keep up the pre-nuptial promises in the matter of candy and flowers? How many of them cut down their tobacco bills in order to treat their wives to sweets and bouquets? Perhaps most of them sacrificed some of their little personal pleasures during the wooing period in order to "make good" with their sweethearts, but precious few of them keep up that sort of thing when the marriage certificate is tucked in a pigeon-hole and regarded as a part of the family archives.

Maybe there would be fewer divorces on more substantial grounds if more husbands maintained the ante-marriage rate of personal attentions to the wives. To be sure, there are dress bills to meet, and hat bills, and many husbands are prone to regard these as taking the place of the candy and flower bills. That is false doctrine, and hats are necessities. It is the luxuries that really count in the matrimonial equation.

A Satisfactory Week's Work.

Highly gratifying have been the results of The Star's work of last week in demanding the suppression of the handbook evil in this District. All three of the factors in an effective crusade have been stimulated to the point of activity. The police department has been pledged to a campaign of arrests regardless of the subordinate disposition of the cases. The district attorney has promised to prosecute all offenders brought to court. Judge Kimball has declared that he will continue his policy of administering jail sentences to those who are convicted of this crime. Thus, if all three pledges are kept, the path of the handbook man in the District is certain to be a hard one henceforth.

At this stage of the case the only flaw in the structure of prosecution lies in the practice of the acceptance of collateral from prisoners and the failure to issue bench warrants against those who forfeit their personally given bail. Thus far the prosecuting attorney has not announced a purpose to depart from the former course of permitting these people to escape court

processes. The reasons he gives for allowing forfeitures without action are not convincing. If it is true, as he states, that the forfeiture of collateral is agreed upon in exchange for valuable information against other offenders, the record surely does not show good results from such bargain. The evil has grown so seriously of late that it is plainly evident that these compromises have been absolutely worthless. It is time to try the experiment of administering the law without treating with the violators and force every man accused to stand trial or become a fugitive from justice.

Warm expressions of approval have been uttered on all sides since The Star began its crusade against the handbook. It is widely recognized that the gambling evil has become a menace to the moral and material welfare of the community and that it is concentrated in a particularly dangerous form in this system of betting on the horse races. Business men and clergymen have united in voicing the hope that the law will be enforced, for they realize that unless the handbook is driven out of the District immense sums of money will be squandered in wagers and the vicious habit will become more firmly fixed upon the thousands of patrons of this game than ever.

From flagrant openness in their transactions the handbook men have suddenly adopted a policy of extreme caution and secrecy. They have realized that there is force in the law and even greater force in public sentiment, and there is great encouragement in the report that whereas a week ago it was possible for a better to place his wager without the slightest difficulty or delay, it is now necessary for him to find a handbook runner willing to take a chance in accepting his bet. Doubtless the handbook men think that this is but a passing squall and that in a few days the agitation will be at an end and they can resume operations with their old freedom and security. Possibly they are mistaken in this assumption. The Star believes they are.

Wall Street and South Carolina.
The Charleston News and Courier is in a state of pathetic bewilderment on the subject of a "good southern man" for President. It would be glad to see Mr. Bryan's hold on the democracy broken, but sweeps the southern horizon in vain for a champion. It speaks of the peerless leader as "chiefly celebrated for the battles he has lost and the political balloons he has freed to return no more." And yet it complains that the southern men refuse to tackle him. Listen: "The south will have no candidate for President until it has a man not afraid of his own shadow." If that is treason the south must make the most of it.

But maybe this sweeping denunciation does not include South Carolina. It is a state, worthy of note, that, while the Wall Street organs have been advertising southern leaders, no South Carolinian has received a word of praise from them. Not a single one of their thousands of purple patches of guff has been bestowed on a son of the Palmetto state. Why? What means this slighting of a commonwealth which for nearly thirty years has been voting all but solidly for the democratic party? Can it be that the News and Courier in its comments was partly moved by pique?

What is the matter with ex-Senator M. C. Butler? He is but little if any older than Judge Gray of Delaware. He served eighteen years in the upper house of Congress very acceptably to his people, and was always in touch with his party. South Carolina, it is true, retired him, but at the instance of Mr. Tillman, and the southern democracy as a whole, has never been, is not now, and never will be, Tillmanic. And there is Judge Brawley of the federal court, who, although not a showy man, is an able one, and possesses a very strong and attractive character. He is quite the equal, intellectually and otherwise, of the southern men who have been mentioned for the presidency. Why, then, has Wall Street overlooked a state with two such sons to show? If state pride is moving the News and Courier its feelings are well justified. Why should Wall Street have gone to Texas, to Delaware, to Georgia, to Tennessee, to Virginia, to Kentucky, and given South Carolina the cut direct?

It is not at all important, but the News and Courier errs in referring to the Star as simply confirming the discoveries of southern newspapers on the subject of Wall Street's southern program. The Star made its own discoveries, and in advance of those mentioned by its Charleston contemporary. Indeed, the maneuver was so very plain in this latitude its true nature revealed itself.

Watch the Gold Certificates!

It behooves every handler of money to beware of the man who flashes a gold certificate in a hurry. It will pay to take a little time to see whether it is a ten or a twenty, and thus avoid giving too much change. So many cases of over payment have been recorded since the new bill was put into circulation that there is ground for suspecting that the resemblance between the two issues is being utilized by swindlers. A little study of the two bills will disclose the distinguishing marks and enable any person quickly to identify the certificates. No matter if the man with the bill professes that his time is precious, all cashiers will find it advisable to take another look before handing out the change. Many a bill will be spared from a shortage at the close of the day's business if this precaution is observed.

America and Japan have a new cause for mutual interest in the unauthorized war talk that has been circulating in both countries.

If the Secretary of Agriculture succeeds in routing the army worm he will doubtless be considered eligible for some sort of military promotion.

Senator Platt does not think much of present-day politicians. And the sentiment is reciprocated.

The also-ran list will be exceptionally large when the republican presidential nominee is finally selected.

Of course, the atrophy will be used in war, some day. But just now it is busy discovering the north pole.

It is extremely difficult to get a billionaire into court.

After he arrives his conversation doesn't usually amount to much.

Children at Amateur Ball Games.

It is to be hoped that the accident occurring at an amateur baseball game in this city Saturday, which nearly cost the life of a little boy, will cause parents to be careful about allowing their children to attend these sports unguarded. The crowd at the amateur games have grown to such proportions that only with great difficulty is order preserved and the field kept clear for the players. The youngsters play about with a daring that has often occasioned comment and elicited expressions of wonder that deaths have not resulted. It is said that scarcely a game is played without one or more minor accidents to spectators, owing to the tendency of the onlookers to crowd in upon the base lines. Saturday's game was no exception. The boys' playing field was doubtless unavailing, save as far as the presence of an unattended child in the field of danger was concerned. Fortunately the victim of the mishap was

survived the hurt and the lesson is thus taught at a slight cost. It should be thoroughly learned by both children and their parents.

Mrs. Birdson is warned not to expect any social recognition. The laws of society are unwritten, but the "unwritten law" is not among them.

District Attorney Jerome's action in destroying the list of contributors to his campaign fund should not be taken as an evidence of ingratitude.

Japan will recognize the fact that its citizens must not try to sketch our fortifications, if the war rumors are to be forever silenced.

Russell's capture some time ago of a cook and other servants may have made him ambitious to have some distinguished company to dinner.

Mr. Harist's failure to be elected to office has left him in a position to criticize instead of explaining.

Richard Croker will not go into British politics; which fact deprives British politics of a few thrills.

SHOOTING STARS.

Looking Forward.

"Buttermilk has become quite fashionable," remarked the Indiana man. "Yes," answered Farmer Cornstossel; "there's no tellin' what kind of fashions is goin' to start in. I shouldn't be surprised if the buttermilk had would git so general that the butter itself 'll jes' be a sort of by-product."

Coolly Considered.

"Do you think a woman with literary ambitions ought to marry?" said the girl who is always seeking knowledge. "I have my doubts on the subject," answered the woman with a determined expression. The demands of modern publishing make it difficult for one to avoid writing things which a husband ought not to read."

Summer Occupation.

"Most everybody in this land is makin' something pay. Some of us makin' speeches and some of us makin' hay."

More Natural History.

"They call the lion the king of beasts," said the student. "Yes," answered the teacher. "Yet the book says that in actual fighting lions are often quitters." "Well, so are some kings."

A Theory.

"Why do men swear?" asked one woman. "It's due to the vanity of the sex," answered Miss Cayenne. "They want to be noticed even when they can't think of anything of real importance to say."

A Hush-a-By Song.

De leaves is a trem'in' in de evenin' breeze; Hesh-a-by!

De starlight come a-shinin' th'oo de big pine trees. Don't you cry!

De hooot-owl holler an' de tree-toad peer An' 'n' bull frog answer wif his voice so deep. Hesh-a-by!

De lightnin' bug is a-stahlin' for to roam. Hesh-a-by!

He's wusser dan de hooot-owl when it comes to goin' home. Don't you cry.

He nebbor gits no honey 'cause de flowers is shet to stay. Till Mistah Bee comes 'round a-callin' early in de day.

Dar ain' no sense in stayin' up an' actin' dat a way. Hesh-a-by!

A Vanishing Art.

From the Philadelphia Ledger.
The trolley and the automobile threaten to put plain walking out of commission. A walking feat occupies scant space in the sporting columns in these days, and may be easily missed. Fears have been expressed that mechanical locomotion will reduce the legs to mere rudimentary organs. Rarely now do we find a fine, robust old fellow who can walk five miles without collapse. There is a small saving remnant of old-timers who make it a practice to walk to the office. We are becoming a nation of sitters. We move with breathless speed, out our right is mechanical and artificial. We cannot stop to rest, and we are only intent on getting there on time. In going on a journey we are advised to leave the course behind us, and we are usually inquiring, observing and contemplative persons. Good books have been thought out by saunterers. The chauffeur must attend to the brake. "Give me the clear blue sky over my head," says an author who spent much time on his feet in the open. "I wish the green turf beneath my feet, a winding road before me, and three hours' march to dinner—and then to thinking." Another patron of the declining art declares that he is in a hurry if man who walks is not happy he must have an evil conscience.

Were "Skinned."

From the Tacoma Ledger.
The figure of speech, "to be skinned," may gradually fall into disuse with the introduction of skin-grafting as a means of saving life. A score of Chicago street car men were "skinned" last week, and a hobo square inches each, to save the life of a motorman who had been dangerously burned. Everything about it was entirely unselfish.

Gen. Stossel.

From the Birmingham News.
A Russian court-martial that stayed at home during the war with Japan and helped defeat the Russian army is trying Gen. Stossel for cowardice. He was in the nearest thing to a hero that Russia put in the field.

Any Flare-Back?

From the Harrisburg Telegraph.
It is said that the near approach of the planet Mars has caused the talk of war with Japan. Wonder what absurd flurry the nearness of our globe is causing the Martians?

A Dangerous Verdict.

From the Boston Herald.
The guilty-of-murder-without-capital-punishment verdict doesn't seem to work well down in Louisiana. The popular notion appears to be that the death penalty is to be administered at all it deserves to be applied to a defendant found guilty of kidnapping and strangulation. So they proceed to take the law into their own hands and organize a lynching bee. Legal hanging is better than that.

Surgery Extraordinary.

From the Buffalo Commercial.
Some Dakota surgeons claim that they operated on a man's leg a short time ago and took out from it "a chisel, several nails, a screw, three good-sized chunks of wood and a piece of tin." Those surgeons must be the same fellows who reported over the wires not long since that in a recent operation they took from a man's uniform appendix two large watermelons.

Hoke's Sacrifice.

From the Springfield Union.
By one fell swoop of the pen Gov. Hoke Smith signs the Georgia prohibition law, which cancels his own hotel license and takes \$90,000 out of his pocket. Hoke, Hoke!

Democratic Accord.

From the Kansas City Star.
Mr. Hobson says war with Japan is sure to come. Mr. Bryan, on the other hand, says there will be no war. That's about as near as the democrats can come to agreeing on anything.

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Iced Tea Glasses, dozen..... 75c up
Iced Tea Plates, dozen..... 75c
Berry Saucers, dozen..... 60c up
Glass Tumbler Stands, dozen..... 50c up
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